

To: Brochi, Jean[Brochi.Jean@epa.gov]
From: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-RDE-EL-MS
Sent: Thur 12/3/2015 10:35:20 PM
Subject: RE: Database update needed

I see now where the St. Helena confusion occurs.

There is a St. Helena in Region 4 off of South Carolina.

The St. Helena we refer to in ocean disposal is located here: St Helena Island, Stonington, ME. (Region 1)

Go to google maps copy/paste. Should take to the same area where the ocean site is located.

Justin

-----Original Message-----

From: Brochi, Jean [mailto:Brochi.Jean@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 3:21 PM
To: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-RDE-EL-MS
Subject: RE: Database update needed

You are welcome! Nice virtually meeting you! ;0)

-----Original Message-----

From: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-RDE-EL-MS [mailto:Justin.L.Wilkens@erdc.dren.mil]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 4:19 PM
To: Brochi, Jean <Brochi.Jean@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Database update needed

Thank you Jeannie! I will keep you updated as I learn more. I will switch St. Helena to Region 4.

Justin

-----Original Message-----

From: Brochi, Jean [mailto:Brochi.Jean@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 2:12 PM
To: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-RDE-EL-MS
Subject: RE: Database update needed

Hi Justin, responses below in caps

Also, I had asked the other EPA folks if they wanted to be on the email exchange and they said no.. (oops my bad).

PS I know both Phil and Charles very well... work with them on a daily basis. Charles will definitely take care of it... so no worries.

Also, how I am involved is just by reviewing our regional webpage (contacting you from Region 1).

Thanks !!! Jeannie

-----Original Message-----

From: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-RDE-EL-MS [mailto:Justin.L.Wilkens@erdc.dren.mil]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 1:12 PM
To: Brochi, Jean <Brochi.Jean@epa.gov>
Cc: Frungillo, Jaime <Frungillo.Jaime@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Database update needed

Jeannie,

Okay, just wanted to confirm because it was unclear as to what you were specifically asking and suggesting. OK

Central and Western Long Island Sound have been in the database since 2012. GREAT - I DID SEE THEM ON THE LIST BUT NOT IN THE PROJECT SEARCH WHICH MAKES SENSE

However, there has been no report of disposal at these sites. This is why they do not display in the project search. I cannot vouch for the previous database manager prior to 2012. I did find where there was no record of even the site in our database until I took over. According to your records, there actually has been disposal since 2005. Apparently either the record was, 1) not entered or 2) it was lost, or 3) it was not reported. Most likely it was 3. YES, PROBABLY ITEM 3, I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU WOULD NOT KNOW IF DISPOSAL TOOK PLACE UNLESS YOU WERE NOTIFIED.

My contact for the New England District (NAE) up until this year was Philip Nimeskern. He passed the torch onto Charles Farris who will be reporting this year. I will contact Charles and the folks you suggested to inquire about disposal at the sites and then enter into database once I confirm the disposal. YES CHARLES (WE CALL HIM NORM) IS GREAT ! IF HE IS TAKING CARE OF IT THAN HE MOST LIKELY HAS ALREADY COORDINATED WITH STEVE WOLF.

St Helena Island....would you like this removed since it was not a designated site? GOOD QUESTION. ST HELENA IS IN REGION 4, SO I CANNOT SPEAK FOR THAT REGION BUT MY PERSONAL OPINION IS THAT THE WORK WAS COMPLETED TO PUT THE INFORMATION IN THE DATABASE SO WHY NOT KEEP IT UP THERE? THE REASON I MENTIONED ST HELENA IS ON ANOTHER MATTER.. AT THE MAIN SCREEN, WHEN I SELECTED NAD, NED, ATLANTIC, REGION 1 FOR KEY WORDS... ST HELENA WAS INCLUDED WITH THE OTHER NEW ENGLAND SITES (RI, MASS BAY, PORTLAND).. AND THIS WAS MY MAIN POINT, IT SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN A SEARCH FOR REGION 1 OR FOR USACE NED SINCE IT IS A REGION 4 SITE... SOMEHOW THE QUERY ISN'T WORKING CORRECTLY. I CAN SEND YOU A PRINT SCREEN OF WHAT I AM TALKING ABOUT IF YOU PREFER!

I am the correct person. I manage the database; I send out the data call to all of our districts dumping dredged material at designated ocean disposal sites; and I prepare the London Convention report in coordination with USEPA. Annually I review the "Sites Designated on a Final Basis" for changes/additions in CFR. I have also reviewed SMMPs to check historical records with my records. I also receive email alerts from the Federal Register and I am able to catch some of the upcoming changes to sites. Thank you for the heads up on the new site. I will be looking for it. GREAT..YOU ARE DEFINITELY IN THE LOOP THEN. ...

Once I confirm the disposal at Central and Western I will update the database and refresh the website. Will try to accomplish this in the next couple weeks. NAE will have to track down records so this will be the bottleneck.

Thanks.

Justin

-----Original Message-----

From: Brochi, Jean [mailto:Brochi.Jean@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2015 7:26 AM
To: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-RDE-EL-MS; Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-EL-MS
Cc: Frungillo, Jaime; Deegan, Dave
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Database update needed

Hi Justin,
Yes, that is the reason for my email message to you.

Please ADD Central and Western to your database, your New England office has reported more than 500,000 cyds of dredged material disposed at each site historically. They were designated in 2005 and we and NED have been steadily tracking the disposal since 2005.

This information should be updated since I expect there will be public and agency interest in the next year.

Also for your information, we are also designated another site in the eastern part of LIS and would request that you coordinate with your New England office for that site (I will notify you when it is designated).

If you are not the correct person OR you have another contact that may handle it out of the New England office, I would be happy to contact them directly.

Again, I would recommend that you speak with Steve Wolfe of your NED office for the data for these sites. It would also be helpful to know when you think this information may be uploaded?

thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-RDE-EL-MS [mailto:Justin.L.Wilkens@erdcdren.mil]
Sent: Wednesday, December 02, 2015 5:17 PM
To: Brochi, Jean <Brochi.Jean@epa.gov>; Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-EL-MS <Justin.L.Wilkens@usace.army.mil>
Cc: Frungillo, Jaime <Frungillo.Jaime@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; Grimaldi, Alicia <Grimaldi.Alicia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Database update needed

Jeannie,

Thank you for your interest in the ocean disposal website.

On the "Disposal Search" when you search on the New England District or EPA Region 1, only the ocean disposal sites where dredged material has been dumped are displayed. This is why you do not see all of the sites listed.

St. Helena Island is a good question. This site was briefly used from 1977 to 1984. When I inherited the database I confirmed many old sites by checking the code of federal regulations for designated sites. I could not locate this site. There were notes from the previous database manager and it appears that USACE issued a 103 permit for its use. There are several other questionable sites like this in other EPA regions as well. Some have been removed and others remain depending on quality of data and preference of EPA folks that I have been in contact with.

From my point of view, it does not bother me to leave this up or take it down. However, if you would like only the designated sites to be shown in region 1 this should come down unless a revelation

occurs.....which I doubt it will.

Hope this helps.

Justin Wilkens

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-----Original Message-----

From: Brochi, Jean [mailto:Brochi.Jean@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, December 02, 2015 2:23 PM

To: Wilkens, Justin L ERDC-EL-MS

Cc: Frungillo, Jaime; Deegan, Dave; Grimaldi, Alicia

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Database update needed

Hi Justin,

We have an EPA website that lists the dredged material disposal sites.

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Specifically, this section: For more information about the ocean disposal of dredged material, including disposal data for ocean dredged material disposal sites, please visit the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Ocean Disposal Database.

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(this is where I got your name).

Anyway, for New England, the proper sites are listed under the ODMS search, however, when you do a project search..for USACE New England, EPA Region 1, any timeframe...

Only a portion of the disposal sites show up and for some reason... St Helena shows up:

In 2005 the Central and Western dredged material disposal sites in Long Island Sound, CT were designated in partnership with your NED office.

Your NED contacts would be Steve Wolfe or Ben Lloyd. Please copy all when you reply as others listed above are the managers of the website.

Thanks, Jeannie